

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0025

Title: Lessen prison population to keep it within budgetary and physical plant limits

Primary Sponsor: Jim Shockley

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature Date

Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director Date

Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY2003 Difference</u>	<u>FY2004 Difference</u>	<u>FY2005 Difference</u>
Expenditures:			

Net Impact on General Fund Balance: 0

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
	X	Significant Local Gov. Impact	X		Technical Concerns
	X	Included in the Executive Budget	X		Significant Long-Term Impacts
	X	Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	X		Family Impact Form Attached

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. It is projected that 484 offenders would be released by December 1, 2002 under this bill.
2. At Montana State Prison, there would be 297 males released X \$48.00/day X 211 days.
3. From prerelease, there would be 142 males X \$43.59/day X 211 days.
4. At Montana Women's Prison, there would be 20 females released X \$50.00/day X 211 days.
5. From prerelease, there would be 25 females X \$53.75/day X 211 days.
6. The total projected saving from this bill in FY 2003 is \$4,808,591. The department is projecting a \$9 million dollar deficit in FY 2003 due to population increases and budget reductions; therefore, no impact on general fund balance is shown as this savings will be used to help offset the projected deficit.

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

None. The title of the bill is in error.

LONG-RANGE IMPACTS:

In future years, when there is a budget shortfall or a facility is full, the provisions of this bill would enable management of the circumstances.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. An amendment will be introduced to change the title to eliminate the reference to reimbursements to counties for holding inmates, since this bill does not affect those provisions.